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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
SERVICES REVIEW BOARD**

**Re: Edgemont Dialysis Project No. E-037-18
Relinquishment of Exemption**

Dear Ms. Avery:

On behalf of DaVita Inc. and Strower Dialysis, LLC (collectively, "DaVita"), I am writing to notify the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (the "State Board") of DaVita's intent to relinquish the exemption for Project. No. E-037-18. On July 24, 2018, the State Board approved the change of ownership of Edgemont Dialysis. Subsequent to approval of the certificate of exemption, the parties to the proposed change of ownership decided to no longer pursue a joint venture for the Edgemont Dialysis clinic. Accordingly, DaVita respectfully requests the State Board approve its request to relinquish its exemption for Edgemont Dialysis (Proj. No. E-037-18).

1. Project Description

On July 24, 2018, the State Board approved a related party change of ownership of Edgemont Dialysis, a 12 station dialysis clinic to be located at 8 Vieux Carre Drive, East Saint Louis, Illinois. The proposed transaction would result in a transfer of the assets from Total Renal Care, Inc. to Strower Dialysis, LLC. The purpose of the proposed transaction was to allow joint venture partners to invest in the dialysis clinic.

2. Reason for Relinquishment

Since the approval of the certificate of exemption, DaVita's proposed joint venture partner decided it would not invest in the Edgemont Dialysis clinic. There are no other potential

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joint venture partners, so a joint venture for this clinic is no longer viable. Further, single-member limited liability companies are considered disregarded entities for tax filing and are not eligible to enroll in the Illinois Medicaid program. In order to ensure, Edgemont Dialysis can accept Medicaid patients, it needs to revert back to the original organizational structure with Total Renal Care, Inc. as the operating entity.

If you have any questions pertaining to this request, or need additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Anne M. Cooper".

Anne M. Cooper

Enclosure

cc: Mary J. Anderson, DaVita Inc.
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